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HDMI Matrix Switchers System
(Excluding MHD44)

User Manual

Please read this manual carefully before using this product.

Notes:

This HDMI Matrix Switchers User Manual takes example of the Matrix model MHD88.

This manual is only an instruction for operators, not for any maintenance usage. The functions described in this version are updated till Aug 2011. Any changes of functions and parameters since then will be informed separately. Please refer to the dealers for the latest details.

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All product function is valid till 2011-11-1



Safety Operation Guide

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In order to guarantee the reliable operation of the equipments and safety of the staff , please abide by the following proceeding in installation, using and maintenance:

(1)

The system must be earthed properly. Please do not use two blades plugs and ensure the alternating power supply ranged from 100v to 240v and from 50Hz to 60Hz.

(2)

Do not put the switcher in a place of too hot or too cold.

(3)

As the power generating heat when running, the working environment should be maintained fine ventilation, in case of damage caused by overheat.

(4)

Please cut off the general power switch in humid weather or left unused for long time.

(5)

Before following operation, ensure that the alternating current wire is pull out of the power supply :

A . Take off or reship any components of the equipment.

B . Take off or rejoin any pin or other link of the equipment.

(6)

As to non-professional or without permission, please DO NOT try to open the casing of the equipment, DO NOT repair it on your own, in case of accident or increasing the damage of the equipment.

(7)

DO NOT splash any chemistry substance or liquid in the equipment or around.

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1. Introduction

1.1 About HDMI Matrix Switcher System

MHD series Matrix switcher is a high-performance digital signal switcher that can be used for cross switching of multi computer and audio signal. Independent HDMI component and I/O terminals make each component signal transmit and switch separately; this design can reduce attenuation of signal transmission to minimum and output the image and audio signal in high-fidelity quality.

MHD series switcher mostly apply in broadcasting TV engineering, multi-media meeting room, big screen display engineering, television education, command control center and other fields. With RS232 interface, it can be worked with PC, remote control system and any other far-end control system devices. The user manual takes MHD88 as example, other models can take reference from it too.



1-1 MDH88 front view

1.2 HDMI Matrix Switcher Models

According to different situation and users, the HDMI series can be classified into the following models:

Specification Model	Video Inputs	Video Outputs	Audio Inputs	Audio Outputs	RS232
MHD88	8	8	x	x	√
MHD1616	16	16	x	x	√
MHD3232	32	32	x	x	√
MHD6464	64	64	x	x	√
MHD9696	96	96	x	x	√
MHD128128	128	128	x	x	√
MHD144144	144	144	x	x	√

2. MHD Packing of the Product



HDMI Matrix Switcher



IR remote



RS-232 Communication Cord



Power Supply Cord



CD



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3. MHD Installation

MHD matrix switchers adopt metal shell and can be stacked with other device. Moreover, they are rack-mountable enclosure and can be installed in the standard 19 inches rack.

4. Front View and Rear View of the Product

4.1 Front view of MHD88



4.2 Rear view of MHD88



4.3 Front view of MHD1616



4.4 Rear view of MHD1616



5. External Connection

5.1 Introduction of the Input and Output Connectors

According to different type of matrix, computer signal I/O interface are made up of 4-channel

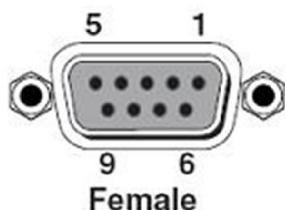
HDMI ports and DVI-D female ports respectively (digital audio included). Please refer to shell silk-screen figure about other types of interface.

5.2 Connection of RS-232 Communication Port

Except the front control panel, the HDMI matrix switcher can be control by far-end control system through the Ethernet control via the RS-232 communication port.

5.2.1 Connection with Control System

With the RS-232 port, the HDMI matrix switchers can be control by several kinds of control systems.



This RS-232 communication port is a female 9-pin D connector. The definition of its pins is as the table below.

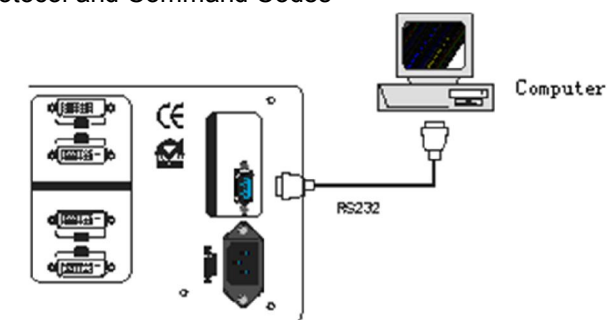
No.	Pin	Function
1	N/u	Unused
2	Tx	Transmit
3	Rx	Receive
4	N/u	Unused
5	Gnd	Ground
6	N/u	Unused
7	N/u	Unused
8	N/u	Unused
9	N/u	Unused

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5.2.2 Connection with Computer

When the switcher connects to the COM1 or COM2 of the computer with control software, users can control it by that computer.

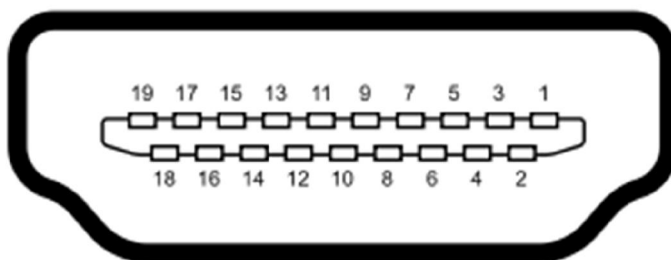
To control the switcher, users may use the public COM software. Please refer the details in Communication Protocol and Command Codes



F 5-2 MHD connecting to computer

5.3 How to Connect with the Input and Output Terminals

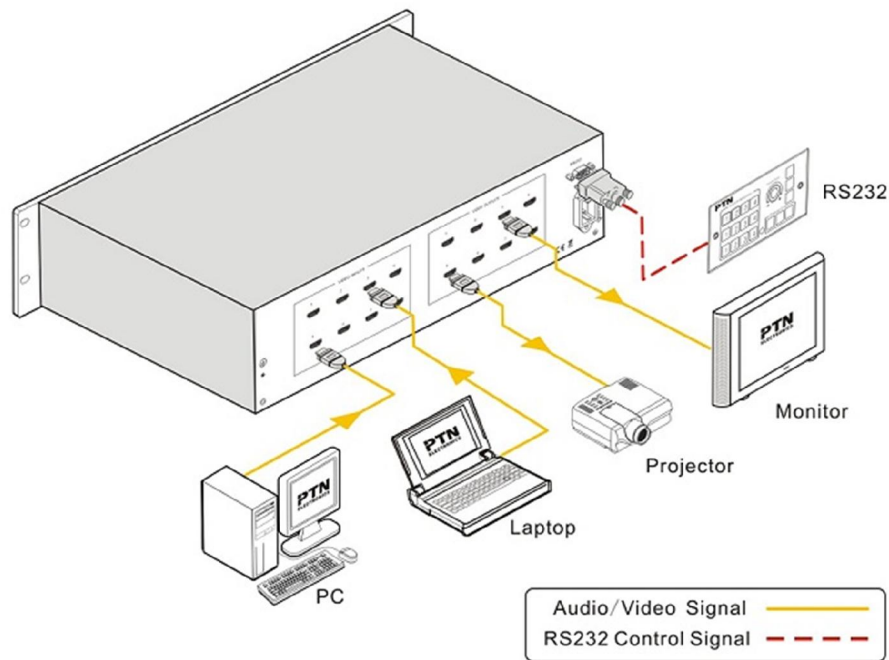
The HDMI matrix switchers may take DVD players, computers, graphic workstations and digital showing platform as their input signal source, and projectors, video recorders, displays and amplifiers as their output signal destinations according to different situation.



F5—3 HDMI connector

HDMI pin function

Pin Number	Signal Name	Pin Number	Signal Name
1	TMDS Data 2+	20	SHELL
2	TMDS Data 2 Shield	19	Hot Plug Detect
3	TMDS Data 2-	18	+5V Power
4	TMDS Data 1+	17	Ground
5	TMDS Data 1 Shield	16	DDC Data
6	TMDS Data 1-	15	DDC Clock
7	TMDS Data 0+	14	No Connect
8	TMDS Data 0 Shield	13	CEC
9	TMDS Data 0-	12	TMDS Clock-
10	TMDS Clock+	11	TMDS Clock Shield

System Diagram:**F5-4 HDMI matrix system connection**

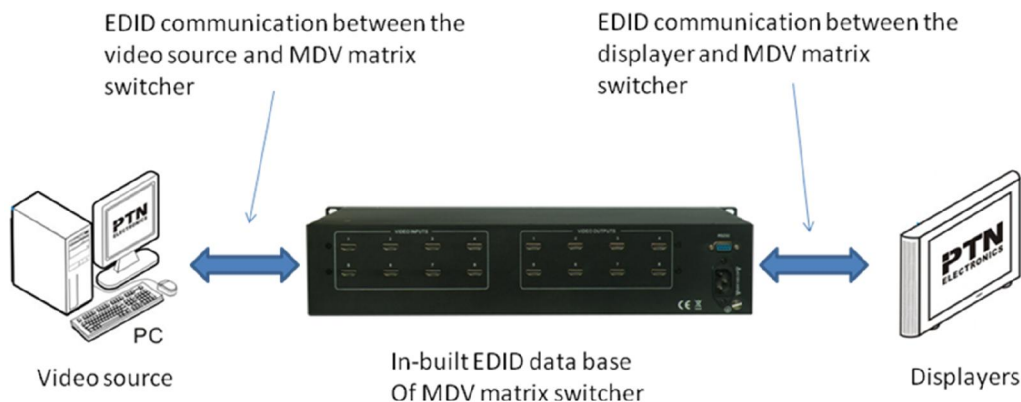
6. Operation of the EDID management

MHD matrix switcher is built in the EDID management database. The EDID management can be automatically shake hand, or manual exchanged, and factory restore.

6.1 EDID automatically shake hand

The MHD matrix switcher is built in the EDID data, which can communicate with the displayers and video source automatically. When the displayers or video sources are connected to the MHD matrix switcher, they will share the EDID/DDC information with the matrix switcher.

We take a MHD88 as example. The communication solution is like this:



The MHD EDID database includes most popular displaying data, but not all the displaying data because of the capability and firmware limitation. So, we can manually refresh the EDID data to update the EDID data base.

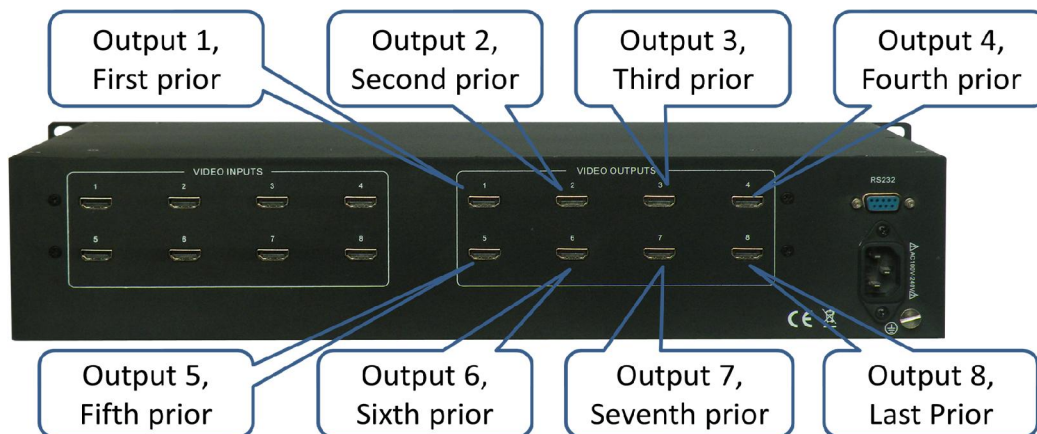
6.2 EDID management of MHD matrix

The RS232 commands for EDID management of MHD matrix models include: "EDIDMAuto."
"EDIDMInit." and "EDIDM[X]B[Y].", (Please notice the text-transform, and the dot in behind.)

6.2.1 Erase and Refresh the EDID data

The EDID refresh ports have the priority grade when the matrix is executing the EDIDMAuto function, ranging from output 1 to output 8 in priority order. It means the output 1 is the most prior to exchange the EDID data, and then the output 2 is the second prior to exchange the EDID data. And, the output 8 is the last prior.

When the user carries the EDID erase/refresh function, the MHD will detect the output priority and exchange the EDID data with the available most prior output port.



Example of 8x8 matrix switcher priority.

6.2.2 Auto EDID management

The only way for auto EDID management is by sending RS232 commands “EDIDMAuto.”. When the “EDIDMAuto.” is sent, the MHD matrix switcher will copy the EDID data from the most prior output port. It means the MHD will erase the old EDID data, and fully copy the EDID data from the display which is connected to the most prior output port. The feedback command is “EDIDMAuto”.

6.2.3 EDID restore to factory default

There are two ways to do restore EDID management: by RS232 command or by buttons.

EDID management by RS232 command

When we send the “EDIDMInit.” to the MHD matrix switcher, it will recover the factory default EDID data. The feedback command is “EDIDMInit”.

EDID management by buttons

Press the button “INITIAL” on the front panel, the MHD matrix switcher will restore the EDID to factory default.

6.2.4 Manually EDID switching

There are two ways to do manually EDID management: by RS232 command or by buttons.

EDID management by RS232 command

When we send the RS232 command “EDIDM[X]B[Y].”. The matrix will copy the EDID data of output[X] to the input[Y]. The feedback command is “EDIDM: [X]To[Y]”.

EDID management by buttons

Press the button “EXTERNAL” then input button [X], and then press output button [Y]. The matrix will copy the EDID data of the output[X] to the input[Y].

NOTICE: If the output[X] does not connect to an active display, the EDID management will take no action.

6.3.5 RS232 feedback:

When a RS232 command is correctly sent, all the connected displays will be blank for 2~3 seconds and recover again. And, the MHD matrix switcher will send out the RS232 feedback command.

If all these symbols works, it means the action is taken.

7. Operation of the Control Panel

7.1 Front Panel Description

“AV” AV synchronal button: To transfer video and audio signal synchronously by the switcher
 Example: To transfer both the video and the audio signals from input channel No.3 to output channel No.4.
 Operation: Press buttons in this order “AV”, “3”, “4”.

"INITIAL"	INITIAL button: To take the restore factory EDID management. Operation: Press this button to recover the default factory EDID data.
"EXTERNAL"	EXTERNAL button: To take the manually EDID switching. Example: To copy the EDID data of the display on output channel No.2 to the input channel No.3. Operation: Press buttons in this order: "EXTERNAL", "2" in INPUT area, and then "3" in OUTPUT area.
"1,2,3,4"	I/O Keypads: Keys to select I/O channels. Example: To transfer input channel No.3 to output channel No.1 Operation: Press buttons in this order: "3" in INPUT area, "1" in OUTPUT area.

7.2 Command Format of the Switching Operation

With the front control panel, the switcher could be control directly and rapidly by pressing the buttons under below format.

"Menu" + "Input Channel" + "Output Channel 1"

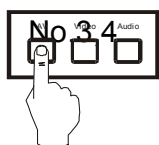
"Menu": "AV", "INITIAL", "EXTERNAL"

"Input Channel": Fill with the number of input channel to be controlled

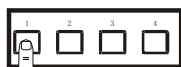
"Output Channel": Fill with the number of output channels to be controlled

7.3 Examples of Operation

Example 1 : To transfer video and audio signals from input channel No.1 to output channel



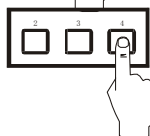
1, Press the button for switching mode "AV" for the switching mode of video and audio



2, Press the button for input channel number "1"



3, Press the button for the first output channel number "3"



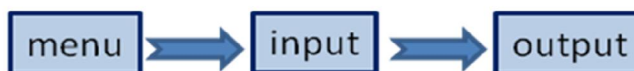
4, Press the button for the second output channel number "4"

Then, switching OK ! audio/video switching from "1" to "3" and "4"

8. Usage of the Remote Controller

With the infrared remote controller, the matrix switcher could be control remotely. Because the function buttons on the remote controller are the same with the ones on the front control panel, the remote controller shares the same control operation and command format with the control panel.

□ 3 steps Operation



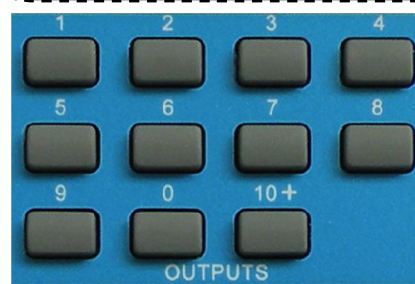
The inputs channels, from 0~9, and plusing "10+" for more



Menu, for switching source and function



The outputs channels, from 0~9, and plusing "10+" for more



9. Communication Protocol and Command Codes

With this command system, the RS232 software is able to control and operate the MHD Matrix with remotely.

Communication protocol:

Baud rate: 9600

Data bit: 8

Stop bit: 1

Parity bit: none

Command Types	Command Codes	Functions
System Command	/*Type;	Inquire the models information.
	/%Lock;	Lock the keyboard of the control panel on the Matrix.
	/%Unlock;	Unlock the keyboard of the control panel on the Matrix.
	/^Version;	Inquire the version of firmware
	/:MessageOff;	Turn off the feedback command from the com port. It will only show the "switcher OK".
	/:MessageOn;	Turn on the feedback command from the com port.
	EDIDMAuto.	Refresh the EDID data with the most priority output port.
	EDIDMInit.	Recover the factory default EDID data.
	EDIDM[X]B[Y].	Manually EDID switching. Copy the EDID data of output[X] to the input[Y].
	Undo.	To cancel the previous operation.
	Demo.	Switch to the "demo" mode, 1->1, 2->2, 3->3 ... and so on.
	[x1]All.	Transfer signals from the input channel [x1] to all output channels
	All#.	Transfer all input signals to the corresponding output channels respectively.
(PTN2.0 Command System)	All\$.	Switch off all the output channels.
	[x1]#.	Transfer signals from the input channel [x1] to the output channel [x1].
	[x1]\$.	Switch off the output channel [x1].
	[x1] V[x2].	Transfer the video signals from the input channel [x1] to the output channel [x2].
	[x1] V[x2],[x3],[x4].	Transfer the video signals from the input channel [x1] to the output channels [x2], [x3] and [x4].
	[x1] A[x2].	Transfer the audio signals from the input channel [x1] to the output channel [x2].
	[x1] A[x2],[x3],[x4].	Transfer the audio signals from the input channel [x1] to the output channels [x2], [x3] and [x4].
	[x1] B[x2].	Transfer both the video and the audio signals from the input channel [x1] to the output channel [x2].

[x1] B[x2],[x3],[x4].	Transfer both the video and the audio signals from the input channel [x1] to the output channels [x2], [x3] and [x4].
[x1]P[g].	Transfer both the video and the audio signals from the input channel [x1] to the output group [g].
[g]PP[x2],[x3],[x4].	Together the output channels [x2], [x3] and [x4] to the output group [g].
S[g].	Inquire the output channels of output group [g].
Status[x1].	Inquire the input channel to the output channel [x1].
Status.	Inquire the input channel to the output channels one by one.
Save[Y].	Save the present operation to the preset command [Y]. [Y] ranges from 0 to 9.
Recall[Y].	Recall the preset command [Y].
Clear[Y].	Clear the preset command [Y].

Remarks: Dot is one part of the RS232 code!

Note:

1. [x1], [x2], [x3] and [x4] are the symbols of input or output channels ranged according to the model of the matrix switcher. If the symbols exceed the effective range, it would be taken as a wrong command.
2. In above commands, “[” and “]” are symbols for easy reading and do not need to be typed in actual operation.
3. Please remember to end the commands with the ending symbols “.” and “;”.

Detail Examples:

1、 Transfer signals from an input channel to all output channels: [x1]All.

Example: To transfer signals from the input channel No.3 to all output channels. Run Command: “3All.”

2、 Transfer all input signals to the corresponding output channels respectively: All#.

Example: If this command is carried out on an MVG1616-A matrix switcher, the status of it will be: 1->1, 2->2, 3->3, 4->4.....16->16.

3、 Switch off all the output channels: All\$.

Example: After running this command, there will be no signals on all the output channels.

4、 Check the version of the firmware: /^Version;

To check the version of the firmware.

5、 Switch off the detail feedback command from the COM port: /:MessageOff;

Switch off the detail feedback information from the COM port. But, it will leave the “switch OK” as the feedback, when you switch the matrix.

6、 Switch on the detail feedback command from the COM port: /:MessageOn;

Switch on the detail feedback information from the COM port. it will show the detail switch information when it switch. Example: when switch 1->2 for Audio, it will feedback “A0102”.

7、 Transfer signals from an input channel to the corresponding output channel: [x]#.

Example: To transfer signals from the input channel No.5 to the output channel No.5. Run Command: “5#.”

8、 Switch off an output channel: [x]\$.

Example: To switch off the output channel No.5. Run Command: "5\$."

9、 Switch both video and audio signals synchronously: [x1] B[x2].

Example: To transfer both the video and the audio signals from the input channel No.120 to the output channel No.12,13,15. Run Command: "120B12,13,15."

10、 Transfer both the video and audio signals from input channel [x1] to output group [g]: [x1]P[g].

Example: If together the output channel NO.1,3,5,7 to output group NO.2 by sent the command "2PP1,3,5,7.", then when send the command "1P2.", the matrix will transfer both the video and the audio signals from the input channel No.1 to output channel NO.1,3,5,7.

When you want to make a group [g], you should clear this group first. The command for clear group is "[g]P0."

11、 Inquire the input channel to the output channel [x]: Status[x].

Example: To inquire the input channel to the output channel No.23. Run Command: "Status23."

12、 Inquire the input channel to the output channels one by one: Status.

Example: To inquire the input channel to the output channels one by one. Run Command: "Status."

13、 Save the present operation to the preset command [Y]: Save[Y].

Example: To save the present operation to the preset command No.7. Run Command: "Save7."

14、 Recall the preset command [Y]: Recall[Y].

Example: To recall the preset command No.5. Run Command: "Recall5."

15、 Clear the preset command [Y]: Clear[Y].

Example: To clear the preset command No.5. Run Command: "Clear5."

10. Specification

Video Input		Video Output	
Input	HDMI	Output	HDMI
Input Connector	HDMI 1.3	Output Connector	HDMI 1.3
Input Level	T.M.D.S. 2.9V/3.3V	Output Level	T.M.D.S. 2.9V/3.3V
Input Impedence	75Ω	Output Impedence	75Ω
Video General			
Gain	0 dB	Bandwidth	340 MHz (10.2 Gbit/s)
Video Signal	HDMI (or DVI-D)	Maximum Pixel Clock	165MHz
Resolution Range	Up to 1920 x 1200 or 1080P@60Hz	Switching Speed	2 – 5 seconds
Consumer Electronics Control (CEC)	Supports CEC wired infrared data pass-through using the HDMI 1.3 standard		
EDID and DDC Management	Supports Extended Display Identification Data (EDID) and Display Data Channel (DDC) data using DVI and HDMI standards, EDID and DDC signals are actively buffered. The built-in EDID/DDC database can analyze these two signals, mix them, and realize the handshake of them internally.		
HDCP Management	Compliant with High-bandwidth Digital Content Protection (HDCP) using DVI and HDMI 1.3 standards. The built-in HDCP management technology can analyze HDCP key, and realize the handshake internally.		
Audio General			
Digital Audio	Supports HDMI audio transmitted through the RGB and Y, Cr, Cb lines, actively buffered		
Control Parts			
Serial Control Port	RS-232, 9-pin female D connector	Pin Configurations	2 = TX, 3 = RX, 5 = GND
IR Remote	Default IR remote	Front Panel Control	Buttons
Options	TCP/IP control by PTNET(PTN's programmable interface)		
General			
Power Supply	100VAC ~ 240VAC, 50/60Hz	Power Consumption	25W
Temperature	-20 ~ +70℃	Humidity	10% ~ 90%

Case Dimension	W483 x H87 x D320mm (2U high, full rack wide)	Product Weight	2.5Kg
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11. Troubleshooting & Maintenance

- 1) When the output image in the destination device connected to the HDMI Matrix (MHD) has ghost, such as the projector output with ghost, please check the projector's setting or try another high quality connection cord.
- 2) When there is a color losing or no video signal output, Maybe the HDMI cables haven't been connected as HDMI criterion
- 3) When the remote controller doesn't work:
 - A. Maybe the battery is run out of, please change a new one.
 - B. Maybe the controller is broken, please ask the dealer to fix it.
- 4) When user can not control the HDMI Matrix (MHD) by computer through its COM port, please check the COM port number in the software and make sure the COM port is in good condition.
- 5) If there is not "beep" sound when switching the I/O signal, please make sure the beeper is switched-on. If so, the beeper inside the matrix may be broken. Please send it to the dealer for fixing.
- 6) When switching, the beeper beeps but without any output image:
 - A. Check with oscilloscope or multimeter if there is any signal at the input end. If there is no signal input, it may be the input connection cord broken or the connectors loosen.
 - B. Check with oscilloscope or multimeter if there is any signal at the output end. If there is no signal output, it may be the output connection cord broken or the connectors loosen.
 - C. Please make sure the destination device is exactly on the controlled output channel
 - D. If it is still the same after the above checking, it may be something wrong in the switcher. Please send it to the dealer for fixing.
- 7) If the output image is interfered, please make sure the system is earthed well.
- 8) If the static becomes stronger when connecting the HDMI connectors, it may be due to the incorrect earthing of the power supply, Please earth it again correctly, and otherwise it would bring damage to the switcher or shorten its natural life.
- 9) If the Matrix can not be controlled by the keys on the front panel, RS232 port or remote controller,

the host may have already been broken. Please send it to the dealer for fixing.

Remarks: For any more questions or problems, please try to get help from your local distributor, or email PTN at support@PTN-electronics.com.